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Telethon Executive Director, Teresa Chapman stands with the fighters and survivors who have battled with cancer.

## Minnesota's 5th District Telethon Raises Over \$1 Million For Third Straight Year

"Together we can make a difference," is the driving phrase that inspires Eagles of Minnesota's 5th District to host the longest running, locally produced telethon benefitting cancer research. Partnered with local television station KTTC, the telethon has been an annual fundraising event for 64 years.

On January 13 and 14, more than \$1,000,000 was raised to benefit the Mayo Clinic, the Hormel Institute and the University of Minnesota. All proceeds go toward cancer research and are used to fund grants that conduct research for all types of cancer.

Throughout the 20 hours on air, local acts showcased their talents while a dedicated group of volunteers accepted pledges from those offering their support for the cause. In her seventh year as Telethon Executive Director,

Teresa Chapman says she has had the pleasure of meeting so many passionate volunteers over the years. "The one thing we all have in common is that we want to make a difference," Chapman said.

When the first telethon launched in 1954, a little over \$10,000 was raised. Now, the event has topped \$1 million in donations for the third consecutive year and has raised more than \$18 million for cancer research. 90.45% of every dollar raised is donated, while the rest of the funds cover any costs relating to the event.

The dedication of everyone involved is one of the reasons the telethon has been so successful. "We have many groups that will celebrate 35 to 40 years

## Announcing the 2018 Grand Convention Entertainment Lineup

The 2018 F.O.E. International Convention kicks off on Sunday, July 8 with the Welcome to Dallas Show.

The night will open with comedian Chipper Lowell, who is a high-energy blend of comedy, magic, and improv.

Grammy award winning musicians Dailey & Vincent will be headlining the evening, performing a variety of music, such as bluegrass, traditional country, and gospel.

Dailey & Vincent are known for their distinctive blend of tenor and harmony vocals. Together, the pair also hosted a top-rated television series, "The Dailey & Vincent Show."

On Monday, July 9, Ladies Auxiliary members can enjoy a Banquet featuring a pirate-themed murder mystery dinner. In addition, all registered Convention attendees are invited to attend Eagles Night Out, which will host an exciting Dueling Pianos act.

2018 Convention entertainment concludes with the Mr. & Mrs. Banquet on Tuesday, July 10.

Country musician Jenny Tolman will open the night, followed by comedian Fritz Coleman.

Award Winning Country singer and songwriter Lee Ann Womack will headline the banquet. She will perform a variety of songs from her new album, "THE LONELY, THE LONESOME AND THE GONE."

Womack's music style ranges from southern soul and country to gospel and blues, which is indigenous to her native East Texas roots.

## Convention Corner



### 2018 International Convention Dallas Omni Hotel Dallas, Texas July 9-12

#### Hotel Information

•As of March 1, rooms for the 2018 International Convention are available only at the Aloft Hotel in Dallas, which is a short walk across the street from the Omni Hotel. Though the Omni is currently sold out, rooms may open as we get closer to the Convention due to cancellations. We encourage those interested in attending the Convention to book their stay at the Aloft to ensure lodging for the Convention by calling 1-877-GO-ALOFT (1-877-462-5638) or by using the link provided on the Convention page at foe.com.

#### Airport Information

•Please note that there are two major airports members may fly into for the 2018 International Convention. Dallas Love Field Airport (DAL) is located near downtown, approximately 15 minutes from the Dallas Omni Hotel, and is served by Southwest, Virgin America, United, Seaport Airlines and Delta. Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) sits outside the city and is approximately 30 minutes from the Dallas Omni Hotel, and is served by American Airlines, Air Canada, Delta, jetBlue, Frontier, Spirit, and United. The Grand Aerie suggests members utilize the Super Shuttle (noted by their blue vans), UBER or a traditional cab for transportation from the airports to the hotel.

#### Scooter Rentals

•We are proud to announce that AABCO Ready Rental Sales & Repair will serve as our preferred scooter rental for the 2018 International Convention in Dallas. With more than 40 years of experience, AABCO is Dallas' premier scooter service and offers free guaranteed delivery to the Omni Hotel for advance reservations. To reserve your scooter, call 972-412-3500 or email readyrental@hotmail.com and include your phone number.

## Top Producers/ New Leaders

for January 2018

### Aerie:

- |                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| 1. #4299 Lake Havasu City, AZ | 55 |
| 2. #4294 Burnham, PA          | 54 |
| 2. #4408 Palm Harbor, FL      | 54 |
| 2. #4538 Yuma, AZ             | 54 |
| 5. #3850 Apache Junction, AZ  | 46 |

### Auxiliary:

- |                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| 1. #4089 Port Orange, FL      | 26 |
| 2. #4273 Okahumpka, FL        | 25 |
| 2. #4299 Lake Havasu City, AZ | 25 |
| 3. #190 Massillon, OH         | 22 |
| 3. #925 Grand Haven, MI       | 22 |

### Aerie (Individual):

- |                        |    |
|------------------------|----|
| 1. Larry Clements      | 21 |
| Port Orange, FL #4469  |    |
| 2. Michael Duehr       | 20 |
| Dubuque, IA #568       |    |
| 3. Jeffrey Cunningham  | 17 |
| Englewood, FL #3885    |    |
| 3. Gaylia Young        | 17 |
| El Mirage, AZ #4534    |    |
| 5. Martha Newton #3296 | 16 |
| 5. Kellie Mack #4017   | 16 |

### Auxiliary (Individual):

- |                         |    |
|-------------------------|----|
| 1. Ida Baysinger        | 10 |
| Connellsville, PA #493  |    |
| 2. Patricia Stewart     | 9  |
| Chester, IL #3252       |    |
| 3. Allyson Grills       | 8  |
| Lagrange, OH #2051      |    |
| 4. Helen Lively #291    | 7  |
| 4. Betty Inman #3508    | 7  |
| 4. Janice Shirey #3807  | 7  |
| 4. Helen Monette #4017  | 7  |
| 4. Renee Sullivan #4123 | 7  |
| 4. Nancy Rape #4299     | 7  |
| 4. Dixie Berry #761     | 7  |



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# We Are People Helping People

## Arizona

-Lake Havasu Eagles #4299 Past Madam President Penny Lee recently presented a grant for \$1,500 to the HAVEN House Food for Kids program.

## Florida

-New Smyrna-Edgewater Ladies' Auxiliary #4242 recently donated \$6,000 to support the Parkinson's programs at the Florida Hospital New Smyrna Health Park. To date, the New Smyrna-Edgewater Auxiliary has donated \$11,500 to support Parkinson's Programs at the Health Park.

-Grand Tribunal Justice Steve Silvestro of Kissimmee Aerie #4048 and Julie Silvestro of Edgewater Auxiliary #4242 presented a \$3,000 grant to Pace Center For Girls in Ormond Beach, Florida. Pace is designed to educate and keep young girls from entering the juvenile justice system. The grant was made possible by winning the Eagles' 2017 Children's Day Contest.

## Idaho

-Coeur d'Alene Eagles Auxiliary #486 presented the Village at Orchard Bay with a donation of \$2,400 for power recliners.

## Indiana

-For the 2016-17 year, Gary Weber selected Special Olympics Indiana as his State Aerie President's Project. Last fall, he presented a check for \$167,307.83 for cause.

## Maryland

-Cresaptown #2883 recently presented a check for \$2,500 to the Interfaith Food Pantry. The money was raised through the members' participation in the Auxiliary Christmas Auction and the annual Christmas Dinner.

## Massachusetts

-During their December State Auxiliary meeting, the Massachusetts State Auxiliary donated toys to Homeless for the Holidays and Toys for Tots.

## Michigan

-Greenville Eagles #4321 helped raise more than \$70,000 for the Special Olympics during the 10th Annual Polar Plunge, with four members of the club taking the plunge.

## Ohio

-Covington Eagles #3998, in conjunction with the Fields of Grace Church hosted the 7th Annual Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner, feeding 1,113 people. Through the hard work of the Eagles members in Covington, they were

## Florida



On Dec. 1, more than 70 men and women from the Florida State Aerie & Auxiliary enjoyed an afternoon reception hosted by the Florida Hospital Foundation. During the reception, the FOE was recognized for attaining a place of honor on the Foundation's Lifetime Donor Hall of Fame by exceeding one half-million dollars in contributions. David Collis, President of the Florida Hospital Foundation, told the group that in appreciation for the outstanding achievement, the hospital renamed four key rooms within the facility in honor of the F.O.E.

able to donate \$3,500 toward the cost of the dinners. The Aerie in Covington supports the villages of Covington, Bradford and Pleasant Hill and over the past five years, has donated more than \$500,000 to fire/rescue, schools, libraries, police, county sheriff's, local community chest and more as needed.

-Lebanon Eagle Riders #1395 delivered gift bags and Christmas wishes to the residents of Lebanon Care on December 17. Working with the staff, they provided them with gift bags including sweatshirts, socks, shampoos, lotion, after shave, Chap Stick, hand sanitizer, Kleenex, puzzle books and other items for the 67 residents.

## Wisconsin

-Merrill Eagles #584 recently presented a series of eight donations to local groups with money raised from the annual Boomer Memorial Raffle and grants from the FOE Charity Foundation. Overall, \$4,981 was distributed to Never Forgotten Honor Flight, Little Lakes Memories, Food For Kids, Quilts of Valor, Lincoln County Respite Program, Merrill Food

Pantry, Merrill Community Enrichment Center, and the T.B. Scott Library.

## People Helping People

While all items are published and shared electronically, space is limited in print. In an effort to provide a diverse offering of news items for our members each month, the largest and/or most unique donation from each State/Province we receive news from will be featured in our People Helping People section. Once each State/Province we have news from has been represented, we will begin to allow additional items.

Please keep in mind that all photos must be high-resolution and cannot be taken from a newspaper or a news outlet's website as the Grand Aerie does not have the right to use those photos.

As always, we welcome any questions or suggestions you might have. Please see the panel on page 2 for contact information.

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of involvement with the telethon,” Chapman said. “We also had a wonderful lady that volunteered for over 35 years, but retired this year. She is a great example of the passion our volunteers have for the fight against cancer.”

The telethon is a cumulative, year-long fundraising effort, with fundraisers held by the District’s Aeries and Auxiliaries nearly every weekend. This year, a few of the local clubs raised a substantial amount. The Eagles of Rochester #2228 raised \$60,000 with a golf tournament, Owatonna #1791 raised \$60,000 by hosting a large auction, and Albert Lea #2258 raised \$20,000 with events such as Cans for a Cure and a silent auction.

Almost all of the money raised is generated through the perseverance and hard work of the community, and collected little by little through dinners, raffles, penny drives, or general donations to create one substantial donation to be given on stage at the telethon each year.

During the telethon, Chapman said several moments stood out, but what was most memorable to her was seeing the cancer survivors take the stage. “It hits home when [we hear how] the funds raised affect so many lives. The fighters and survivors make you want to do more.”

During the night, a young boy shared his story of battling brain cancer, and Chapman said there was not a dry eye in the room. “He was so inspiring and so brave to stand up there and share how cancer had affected his life.”

Several other organizations also gave notable donations including, Lewiston fools Five, Geneva Cancer Group, Lyle Area Cancer Group, Cabin Fever Group of Rochester, Blooming Prairie Cancer Group, Rushford Peterson Cancer Group, and Winona Eagles #1243. An additional \$34,000 was raised the night before during the telethon kick off.

Next year will mark the telethon’s 65th year. Chapman thinks it is an amazing milestone, which could not have been accomplished without the support of the Eagles, volunteers, and KTTC. “It is an honor and a privilege to be involved and part of such an inspiring organization.”

**News & Notes****Pay Your Dues By May 31!**

All members must pay by May 31 to renew their membership for the 2018-19 fraternal year. Due to law changes made at the 2017 International Convention, members now have until June 30 to make a late dues payment before they are dropped from active membership. Please act now and send or hand deliver your dues to your local Secretary to ensure you retain access to our nearly 1,500 locations across the United States and Canada and access to our incredible slate of member benefits including discounts on auto and home insurance, life insurance, prescriptions, hotels, rental cars and more. Act now and remain a member of one of the world’s greatest fraternal organizations! If you have questions about your status, contact the Membership Department at [membership@foe.com](mailto:membership@foe.com) or at 614-883-2177.

**Win A \$3,000 Children’s Fund Grant!**

Enter the 2018 F.O.E. Children’s Day Contest for a chance to win a \$3,000 grant from the Jimmy Durante Children’s Fund for a youth-oriented organization of your choosing. To enter, your Aerie or Auxiliary must hold a special event geared toward community youth and document the event with pictures and other relevant information to show the Grand Aerie the impact of your event. Entries must be accompanied by the official entry form and submitted to the Grand Aerie by Friday, June 15. A winner will be announced at the 2018 International Convention in Dallas, Texas.

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## **2018 Fraternal Order of Eagles Annual National Dart Tournament**

**Join us in Dallas, TX before the**

**2018 National Convention**

Saturday, July 7, 2018	Saturday, July 7, 2018	Sunday, July 8, 2018
10:00 AM	4:00 PM	10:00 AM
4 Person Teams	Mixed Triples	Open Doubles
501/Cricket/Choice	501/Cricket/Choice	501/Cricket/Choice

**Event cost is \$30 pp per event**

\$10 greens fee pp covers all quarters for weekend.

Use Enclosed Entry Form to register.

**Payment by CASH/Money Order only.**

Payments made out to & mailed to:

Fraternal Order of Eagles Grand Aerie,

National Dart Tournament

1623 Gateway Circle South, Grove City, OH 43123

Any questions or concerns email: [foenationaldarts@gmail.com](mailto:foenationaldarts@gmail.com)

**All Players must have a current signed F.O.E. dues receipt to  
enter and play in the tournament & must show to get in.**

**Format and Payouts to be determined based on participation.**





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Team Captain

Captains Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

Vending Co/Stats Website \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

Vending Co/Stats Website \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

Vending Co/Stats Website \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

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